CONGRESSIONAL BRIEFING: "POWER, PAIN, POTENTIAL"

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On the heels of recent incidents of hate violence, SAALT hosts a Congressional Briefing to discuss the trends underpinning this violence as explored in our report "Power, Pain, Potential," published earlier this year. In this report we documented 207 incidents of hate violence and xenophobic political rhetoric targeting South Asian, Muslim, Sikh, Hindu, Arab, and Middle Eastern Americans during the 2016 election cycle. The violence against our communities continues to escalate through the first two months of this administration.

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Congressman Keith Ellison (MN-5), Congressman Andre Carson (IN-7), Congressman Raul Grijalva (AZ-3), Congressman Ami Bera (CA-7), Congresswoman Grace Meng (NY-6), Congressman Mark Takano (CA-41), Congresswoman Pramila Jayapal (WA-7), Congressman Raja Krishnamoorthi (IL-8), Congressman Ro Khanna (CA-17)

Moderated by:
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Opening Remarks:
Congresswoman Judy Chu (CA-27)
Congressman Raul Grijalva (AZ-3)
Congressman Ami Bera (CA-7)
Congressman Raja Krishnamoorthi (IL-8)
Congressman Ro Khanna (CA-17)

Panel Discussion:
Rajdeep Singh, Sikh Coalition
Darakshan Raja, Washington Peace Center/D.C. Justice for Muslims Coalition
Samer Khalef, American-Arab Anti-Discrimination Committee
Nadia Aziz, Arab American Institute

Closing Remarks:
Congressman Mark Takano (CA-41)
Congresswoman Grace Meng (NY-6)
Congresswoman Pramila Jayapal (WA-7)

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